Dr. Burgess Weekly Video Address May 20, 2016 "Passing the NDAA"

Hello this is your Congressman, Michael Burgess.

The first decades of the 21st Century have already proven to be dangerous and unstable around the world. The United States and its allies face threats that challenge national security. It is no secret that our military readiness and our capability has declined dangerously under the Obama Administration. We are no longer feared by our enemies or trusted by our friends.

The most effective way to show our support of the men and women who defend our nation is to be sure that they have all of the resources, they have all of the equipment and they have the training that they need to carry out their missions successfully and safely. The House of Representatives did just that this week when it passed the fiscal year 2017 National Defense Authorization Act.

And again this year, voted to include my "Audit the Pentagon" amendment in the defense bill. This would require the Department of Defense to comply with standing federal law and produce verifiable financial statements that can be fully audited.

The Pentagon must be held to the same level of accountability that other federal agencies are held to when it comes to the spending of taxpayer dollars.

Since being elected as your Member of Congress, I have been working to ensure that the United States maintains the most capable military in the world and I will continue to do so.

As always, I appreciate your comments, your questions, your observations on this issue or any other.

May God bless you and your family, may God bless our armed forces and as the song says, God bless you Texas.